CALENDAR OF TRIPS AND CLINICS: OCTOBER-DECEMBER 2002

RIVER TRIP5 Paddling on the river is what kayaking is all about. You can learn a lot in the safety of a pool, but to truly open up the joys of kayaking you gotta hit the river. Pick a trip that fits your skill level (for descriptions of skill levels, log onto www.whitewaterkids.com) and then join our instructors for a day of fun and instruction. Bring your own gear or use CWKC's. Transportation to and from the river is provided. All participants must be current members of the CWKC. Space is limited on most trips, so call now to reserve a space.

- Hiwassee River, October 5, 8:30AM—7PM, Beginner I and up, \$15
- Alabama whitewater trip, October 26, 8AM-7PM, Beginner II and up, \$20
- Cartecay River, November 16, 9AM-7PM, Intermediate I and up, \$20
- For explanations of CWKC's skills rating system, log onto www.whitewaterkids.com.

the thrill of winter creekin' than Chattanooga. Each trip will begin by searching for water and rain as we look for small rivers and creeks with big drops, big fun, and few consequences. We'll focus on several of the Tennessee Valley's "beginner" creek runs, like the Tellico River, Daddy's Creek, Clear Creek, and White's Creek. If we have not been blessed with rainfall, then we'll look to the larger rivers and watersheds of the Big South Fork, Ocoee River, or Little River. Paddlers on these trips must be advanced paddlers with bomber rolls, Class III+ river skills, and bored with the Ocoee River. Paddlers must also have winter paddling gear and clothing. For more info on what to wear, log onto www.whitewaterkids.com. Destinations will vary depending on water levels, so call or e-mail the day before to inquire about details. Free to CWKC members.

• November 9, December 14

SLALOM CLINICS If you truly want to be the best kayaker possible, slalom training is the way to get there. This 4-week slalom class will improve your stroke technique, boat handling skills, and will prepare you to compete in the Jiffy Slalom Race on December 7 on the Tuckaseigee River in Bryson City, North Carolina. Even if your true desire is to become the best playboater on the river, slalom racing will give you the skills to make your boat do what you want it to do. Free to CWKC members. Classes held at the Greenway Farm Slalom Course. Class size is limited, so call now to register.

- Wednesdays, Nov. 6, 13, 27, Dec. 4, 4PM-6PM
- Training trip, Tuckaseigee River, November 23, 7:30AM-9PM, \$20

Bryson City, North Carolina is the perfect race for first-time slalom racers. The focus is on having fun and experiencing the thrill of racing for the first time. We'll leave Chattanooga on Friday, December 7 at 5PM and spend the night at the home of Olympic Gold Medalist Joe Jacobi and his wife Lisa and daughter Seu. We'll leave early on Saturday morning for the race course in Bryson City and return late Saturday night.

 December 6-7, \$30 +\$40 spending money and \$10 for race registration

PRIVATE INSTRUCTION FROM SHAUN If you want personal instruction in slalom or stroke technique from the area's best slalom coach, CWKC members can get free instruction from Shaun Smith. Shaun will be training on the Nantahala River every weekend that CWKC is not running a trip. Members of the CWKC are welcome to go up to the Nanty and paddle with Shaun and get specialized instruction in slalom, stroke technique, or even playboating skills. Call or e-mail Shaun ahead of time to arrange for meeting times. Transportation to the Nanty is your responsibility. To train with Shaun on the weekends, call (423) 842-6629 or e-mail to whitewaterkids@hotmail.com.

ROLLING CLASSES Learn the roll, strokes, and basic kayaking techniques in these informal, fun kayaking classes. Even if you are an advanced kayaker, come work on your off-side and hands roll, flatwater cartwheel, or advanced stroke technique. Boats, paddles, PFDs, and skirts provided. FREE to CWKC members.

- Every 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month, 6PM-8PM
- UTC Indoor Pool in Maclellan Gymnasium
- October 8, 22; November 12, 26; December 10
- For more info on any of these trips or programs:
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 - 2. Call (423) 842-6629
 - 3. E-mail whitewaterkids@hotmail.com
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- Minimum skill levels are required on some trips (for descriptions of skill levels, log onto www.whitewaterkids.com)